



City of New Bedford NOTICE

Scott W. Lang, Mayor

In an effort to enhance the quality of life for all New Bedford residents at the neighborhood level, the City's Code and Nuisance Enforcement Team will be out in force in upcoming weeks to identify and cite homeowners who violate City laws and codes. To avoid fines of up to \$300 a day, please review these most common code and nuisance violations.

TRASH (Fines of \$100-\$300)

- **IMPROPER CONTAINMENT:** Trash must be stored in a covered barrel out of public view. It must be put out for curbside pickup in covered barrels, and each barrel cannot weigh more than 60lbs.
- **OUT TOO SOON:** Residents **MAY NOT** place trash out for curbside collection before **5:00 PM** on the day before collection.
- **BULKY ITEMS:** Residents are allowed **ONE LARGE ITEM per house** (not per apartment) for curbside collection on trash day. These may include: sofas, mattresses, and wooden furniture, but **MAY NOT BE** metal, glass, stoves, refrigerators, dishwashers, TVs and monitors, or air conditioners. Items can be brought to the disposal site at 1103 Shawmut Ave. or scheduled for special pick up by calling ABC Disposal at (508) 999-2619.
- **YARD WASTE:** Yard waste (leaves, twigs under 1/4 in. in diameter, grass, etc.) must be contained in brown paper yard waste bags, and will be collected from April to mid-December one day after the regular trash collection day. Yard waste in plastic bags will not be collected. Larger branches will be picked up as brush by appointment.
- **LITTER & DEBRIS:** Residents are required to keep all property **free of litter and debris**. This includes residences, businesses and vacant lots.



ZONING (Fines of \$300)



- **IMPROPER STORAGE:** Residents may not store junk, salvage, auto parts, appliances, or furniture outdoors.
- **UNREGISTERED VEHICLES:** Not more than one unregistered car may be parked in a yard or driveway.
- **UNAUTHORIZED VEHICLES:** Commercial vehicles may not be parked on city streets or on private property, except when parked in a garage.

EXTERIOR CODE VIOLATIONS (Penalties vary)

- Property **must not** have unsecured, vacant structures; unmaintained roof, gutters, downspouts, and chimneys; unsafe, rundown stairs, porches or decks; neglected siding, windows, doors, and foundation; dilapidated accessory structures: garages, sheds, fences; neglected yard: high grass, weeds, litter; dead or unsafe trees; or exposed and untreated wood surfaces.

Questions? Please call the Department of Inspectional Services at (508) 979-1540.

